

In the Specification:

**Amend the first paragraph of the application, on Page 1, as follows:**

This application is a continuation-in-part of the inventors' prior application Serial No. 09/575,488, filed May 19, 2000, entitled Method for Testing Circuits, now U.S. Patent No. 6,865,500, issued March 8, 2005, and claims the benefit of the provisional application Serial No. 60/197,749, filed April 18, 2000, entitled ATPG for Prediction of Analog Specifications, and Serial No. 60/203,602, filed May 12, 2000, entitled Test Generation for High Frequency and RF Circuits, each incorporated by reference in their entireties herein.

**Amend the first paragraph under the heading "Detailed Description of a Preferred Embodiment" on Page 4 of the application as indicated below:**

The present application incorporates herein by reference ~~in its entirety the publication by inventors R. Voorakaranam and A. Chatterjee~~ that portion of the U.S. provisional application Serial No. 60/197,749, now expired, entitled "Test Generation for Accurate Prediction of Analog Specifications," ~~IEEE VLSI Test Symposium, pp. 137-142, 2000. This publication which~~ provides mathematical explanation, background and support for methods according to the invention that are described herein in a simplified manner. Also incorporated herein is the inventor's paper, submitted to the International Test Conference 2001, entitled "Low-Cost Signature Testing of RF Circuits," attached hereto as Appendix A.

**Amend the paragraph relating to the description of Figure 6 under the heading "Brief Description of the Drawings" on Page 4 as indicated below:**

Figure 6 is a ~~flow chart of~~ block diagram illustrating a preferred method for low cost signature testing of RF electric circuits according to the present invention.

**Amend the first full paragraph on Page 6 as indicated below:**

In step 113, "g" is iterated in steps 110 and 112, i.e., these steps are carried out with respect to circuits  $C(2), C(3), \dots C(G)$ . Accordingly, by the conclusion of step 113 for the initial stimulus  $\text{Stim}(k=0)$ , each of the circuits  $C(g)$  has been stimulated with the stimulus  $\text{Stim}(0)$ , corresponding signatures  $\text{Sig}(g,0,t)$  have been determined, and corresponding actual performance parameters  $P_1(i)_A, P_2(i)_A, \dots [[P_G(i)_A]] \underline{P_G(i)_A}$  have been measured.